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# News Release

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## Michigan Winter Wheat Seedings

Michigan winter wheat seeded area for 2015 is estimated at 500,000 acres, a decrease of 12 percent from last year, according to the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Winter Wheat seeding began in early September, on pace with the 5-year average, and was completed by mid-November. Planting largely finished on schedule, but by the end of November, only 89 percent of plantings had emerged, behind the 5-year average. At the end of November, 64 percent of the crop was rated good-to-excellent.

U.S. winter wheat planted area for harvest in 2015 is estimated at 40.5 million acres, down 5 percent from 2014 and 6 percent below 2013. Seeding began in August and by the end of September was well ahead the 5-year average pace. By the middle of November, seeding was mostly complete.

### Winter wheat area seeded, 2013 - 2015

Item	Michigan			United States		
	2013	2014	2015	2013	2014	2015
Planted..... 1,000 acres	620	570	500	43,230	42,399	40,452
Harvested ..... 1,000 acres	590	485		32,650	32,304	
Yield..... Bushels	75	74		47.3	42.6	
Production..... 1,000 bushels	44,250	35,890		1,542,902	1,377,526	